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# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

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# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- Existing NIOSH or Military Standards are not completely applicable to meet a terrorism agent threat
- Inherent Differences between NIOSH & Military Standards
  - Purpose
  - Target User Groups
  - Hazards
  - Operation
  - Protection

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

## Goal:

Develop a NIOSH/NPPTL powered air purifying respirator standard that addresses CBRN materials identified as inhalation hazards and/or possible terrorist hazards for emergency responders.

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- A. Warm Use: Concentrations above acceptable exposure limits, but less than IDLH concentrations; sustained support operations; long term use for decon, traffic control, rehabilitation, rescue and recovery; hazard known, quantified & controlled.
- B. Crisis Provision: Egress and escape from above IDLH concentrations, high physiological (flow) demand possible. Contingency for unforeseen factors such as secondary device or pockets of entrapped hazard.

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- A. Hazard Analysis
- B. Protection
- C. Human Factors / Environmental Factors
- D. Standards Concept Definition
- E. Test Requirements
- F. Testing / Validation
- G. Quality Assurance Requirements
- H. Public Process

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- Conceptual Requirements:
  - Tight fitting, full facepiece PAPR (includes neck dam PAPR)
  - Use canister requirements defined in the CBRN APR statement of standard
  - minimum number of mechanical connectors (2)
  - minimum flow rate of 115 Lpm

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- Provision for Interchangeable Use of Consumable Canisters
- Uses requirements established for the CBRN APR Canister
  - \***Mechanical Connector and Filter Design**
  - \***Mechanical Connector Gasket**
  - \***Dimensions and Weight**
  - \***Same canister testing as CBRN APR**

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- Hazard List Derived During earlier CBRN standards development work
- Category Grouping Addresses 139 Respiratory Hazards
- Eleven (11) test representatives identified for certification testing



# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- 42 CFR, Part 84 – Applicable Sections
- Requirements Derived from other Standards/Specifications
- Special CBRN PAPR Requirements

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

## Component Requirements:

- Tight Fitting Full Facepiece
- Harness Requirements
- Container Requirements
- Labeling

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

## Construction Requirements

- Battery Requirements
- Flow Indicators
- Operational Controls
- Noise Levels
- Airflow (minimum of 115 Lpm, two mechanical connectors)

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- Special CBRN Requirements
  - Gas Life Testing
  - CWA Penetration/Permeation
  - LRPL

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- Being Conducted in Public Forum
- Meetings With
  - Stakeholders
  - Manufacturers
- Use of Website for Concept Papers
  - <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl>

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

## Development Schedule:

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|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Next Public Meeting | January 27, 2004      |
| 2. Peer Reviews        | March 5, 2004         |
| <b>3. Standard</b>     | <b>March 30, 2004</b> |

# CBRN PAPR Standard Development

- **Vulnerability Assessment Factors Involve:**
  - Toxicology
  - Delivery Methods
  - Challenge Concentration
  - Protectability
- **Terrorist's Intent Not Prescribed**
- **Toxicities of TIC and CWA Span Orders of Magnitude in Values**
- **Challenge Levels are Venue Specific**
- **Test Standards Dependent on Respirator Uses**